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To: Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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Enclosed a	are:								
X	Sheets of Drawings								
X	This application is being filed without an executed Declaration.								
X	Priority is claimed from $\frac{\text{Japanese}}{\text{filed}}$ Application No. $\frac{2001-153345 \& 2001-344010}{\text{A certified copy is attached herewith.}}$								
X	Copies of the disclosure documents listed on the attached PTO 1449 form and discussed in the specification or attached Information Disclosure Statement.								
	A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27.								
X	Specification: Abstract X , Description 87 pages; and 24 claim(s).								
Preliminary Amendment.									
Executed Declaration.									
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Respectfully Submitted,

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